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ON GOING POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of Hydro Power Projects are scheduled to be completed during 2005-06 and 2006-07 in different parts of the country;

(b) if so, whether these projects have been completed as per schedule and become operative;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the number of projects which are lagging behind the schedule, State-wise;

(d) whether the work on projects scheduled to be completed by 2010-11 are going as per schedule;

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) the total escalated cost of these projects; and

(g) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to ensure that these projects are completed as per schedule?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) to (c) : A capacity of 2886 MW from hydro power projects was scheduled for commissioning during the year 2005-06 out of which 1340 MW capacity was commissioned during the year. A capacity of 3884 MW from hydro power projects has been scheduled for commissioning during the year 2006-07 out of which 665 MW capacity has been commissioned till date. These commissioned projects have already started power generation. The details of the projects which have been commissioned during 2005-06 and 2006-07 and lagging behind the schedule, State-wise are given in Annexure-I.

(d) & (e) : The details of the 40 hydro electric projects with installed capacity of 13210 MW scheduled to be completed by 2010-11 are given in Annexure-II. The works on these projects are in progress.

(f) : The details of the hydro electric projects under construction and having cost overruns are given in Annexure-III.

(g) : The steps taken by Government to ensure that these projects are completed as per schedule are as under:

- Targets were fixed in consultation with the States and they are involved in monitoring of the projects right from the beginning.

- Monitoring mechanism has been strengthened. Project specific coordinators identified in Central Electricity Authority for expediting the project works and for providing assistance of project authorities.

- Comprehensive quarterly reviews are conducted regularly by Secretary (Power).

- Periodic Inter-Ministerial coordination meetings are held with Ministry of Environment & Forests, Ministry of Water Resources etc.

- Periodic reviews with private project developers are held together with State Governments.

- The project authorities are encouraged to incorporate incentive clause in the contract documents for early completion of projects.

- Award schemes have been formulated for giving awards to the project authorities for early completion of the projects.